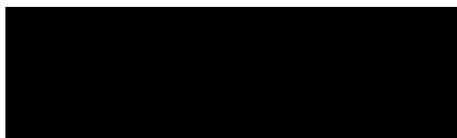


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Dear Earl:

This is in reply to your letter of 4 January 1968 forwarding another letter to me dated 31 December 1967 and a copy of a letter which you had addressed to Mr. Karamessines on 19 November 1967. These letters constitute your appeal of the decision that you would retire at this time under the Civil Service Retirement System, stating that you prefer to retire under the CIA Disability and Retirement System or, in the alternative, under the Civil Service System if granted an extension in service for another two years.

I asked that a thorough review be made of your retirement status. The record clearly indicates that the two retirement systems, i. e., the CIA System and the Civil Service System, were explained to you in considerable detail on various occasions. They are also clearly defined in applicable laws and Agency regulations.

In September 1965 your retirement was discussed with you, and you expressed a preference for the Civil Service retirement then scheduled for March 1967. In September 1966 you submitted an application for retirement under the CIA Disability and Retirement System. This application included your request that you retire on 31 December 1966. The Agency Retirement Board requested confirmation that you would adhere to this date but, not receiving such confirmation, did not process the application. On 27 December 1966 you submitted a request that you remain in the Civil Service Retirement System provided that the date of retirement was deferred for about one year. This was approved, and the date of 31 December 1967 was set for your retirement under the Civil Service Retirement System.

This record clearly shows that you were given every consideration in connection with your retirement and that you, for your own reasons, made the election to remain in the Civil Service Retirement System and retire on 31 December 1967. Participation in the Agency system is not a right, as the act provides that employees may be designated as participants. There are numerical limitations on the number of employees that may be retired under this act, and it is therefore important that participation be restricted to those who qualify and are willing to adhere to the retirement provisions of the Agency system.

I have determined that you will not be designated a participant in the Agency system and that your appeal is denied. Since consideration of your appeal has carried your case beyond the agreed date of 31 December 1967, the Director of Personnel is being instructed to complete arrangements for your retirement under the Civil Service Retirement System to be effective not later than 31 January 1968.

Sincerely,

/s/ Richard Helms
Richard Helms
Director

O/IG (18 January 1968)

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